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## **NEWS ADVISORY**

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### **BLUE KNIGHTS HOLD FIRST LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL RIDE**

RICHMOND, KY – The Blue Knights Kentucky XI chapter is hosting its first Law Enforcement Memorial Ride on Saturday, September 13 to honor the officers who were killed in the line of duty in 2002: Pulaski County Sheriff Sam Catron and Trimble County Deputy Jailer Howard “Buck” Callis.

The 25-mile motorcycle ride will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the Kentucky Law Enforcement Memorial, which sits in front of the Department of Criminal Justice Training on Eastern Kentucky University’s campus. The monument is the only one in the state that recognizes all 321 Kentucky peace officers who have been killed in the line of duty.

The ride ends at the University of Kentucky Extension Office in Garrard County.

There will also be a cruiser competition at DOCJT before the ride begins.

The Blue Knights, a law enforcement motorcycle club, will donate all proceeds from the ride to the Kentucky Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation. The foundation was founded in 1999 to build the unique memorial. Once it was completed, the organization expanded its efforts to include a financial endowment program, which helps Kentucky peace officers and their families with educational, medical and emergency relief.

#### **Officers killed in the line of duty in 2002**

**Samuel Wilson Catron**, sheriff, Pulaski County, died April 13, 2002. Catron, 48, was shot once in the head as he walked towards his cruiser while attending a political rally.

**Howard “Buck” Callis**, deputy jailer, Trimble County, died December 10, 2002. Callis, 79, was en route to pick up a prisoner when a semi truck collided with the vehicle he was driving.